



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION | LAS VEGAS FIELD OFFICE
1787 W Lake Mead Blvd., Las Vegas, NV 89106

2020 TEEN ACADEMY APPLICATION

Submit to: Eileen Clark via e-mail, edclark@fbi.gov | (Phone) 702-584-5574

STUDENT CANDIDATE INFORMATION

Name: (Last, First, Middle)			
Street Address:			
City/State:		Zip Code	
Home Phone:		Cell Phone	
E-mail Address:		Referred by	

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES (ATTACH PAGE IF NECESSARY):

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT (ATTACH PAGE IF NECESSARY):



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PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION AND APPROVAL			
Name (Last, First, Middle)			
Street Address			
City/State		Zip Code	
Home Phone		Cell Phone	
Business Phone		E-mail	
Emergency, please call:			
Signature			
Date			
SCHOOL INFORMATION AND APPROVAL			
Name			
Street Address			
City/State		Zip Code	
Phone		E-mail	
School Official			
Official's Position			
Phone		E-mail	
Applicant's GPA			
Official's Signature			
Date			



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The FBI's Las Vegas Field Office is accepting applications for the **2020 Teen Academy being held on Saturday, May 16, 2020, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

If you are a high school student, between 15 to 18 years of age, with a GPA of 3.5 or higher, and residing in the Las Vegas Field Office area, you are welcome to apply to the Teen Academy. Space is limited to 50 students and acceptance is not guaranteed.

Due to the vast diversity in our workforce, any student with an interest in the FBI, what we do and how a relationship with the FBI can help their school is encouraged to apply. All students will be evaluated based on their essay and application (GPA, school activities and community involvement) to determine which students will be offered a seat in the class. None of the above elements will be the sole basis of evaluation of an application and the application process should be taken seriously by all applicants. The program is not exclusive to students only interested in criminal justice or STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics).

Punctuality, professional behavior and appropriate dress code (business casual) will be required of all students attending this program.

Interested students should complete and submit the required application and materials via e-mail to edclark@fbi.gov, Make sure to send application back as a pdf. doc attachment, and your essay as a word doc., we cannot accept Google Drive, Google Docs, and One Note. You may also send your application via U.S. mail to the FBI's Las Vegas Field Office, Attention: COS Eileen Clark, 1787 W Lake Mead Blvd., Las Vegas, Nevada, 89106. **Applications must be received by 5:00 p.m., April 24th, for panel review. *Incomplete and late applications will not be accepted.***

The Teen Academy offers insight into several topics and specialties to include; what is required of all FBI applicants, the importance of making good choices when using online communication platforms, along with demonstrations and presentations from some of our specialty teams. After completing the class, students are more aware of challenges their communities face, better understand how the FBI serves their region, and are prepared to mentor their peers.

The FBI's Citizens Academy Alumni Association, Las Vegas Chapter, generously sponsors lunch and snacks for all students in attendance. If a student is selected, his or her family is responsible for transportation to and from class.



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APPLICATION CHECKLIST:

- ☐ Student application:
 - Student information complete;
 - Parent/guardian information complete and signed;
 - School information complete;
 - Endorsing school official information complete;
 - School official notation of student's GPA (checks will be made). Official transcript is acceptable for student's GPA.
- ☐ Essay indicating why the student wants to be part of the program and how the experience will serve the school:
 - Typed;
 - No more than two pages, single-spaced;
 - Essay format with proper capitalization and punctuation;
 - Name and e-mail on each page.
- ☐ Photograph release form signed by parent/guardian
(This will be e-mailed to students who have been accepted into the program **ONLY**.)

Students will be notified of their application status via e-mail by close of business Wednesday, May 6, 2020. Students selected to attend the FBI Teen Academy will be given additional information about the program and will be required to confirm their planned attendance.

Questions regarding the FBI's Teen Academy or the application process can be directed to Community Outreach Specialist, Eileen Clark (702) 584-5574 or edclark@fbi.gov. Thank you.



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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q. Is the program only for high school students?

A. Yes, the program has been designed for high school students, aged 15 to 18 years, to ensure that they have at least one year remaining in their academic career at the school. This enables students to share the information they have learned and serve as peer mentors, when appropriate.

Q. Is the essay important?

A. Yes, the essay is important as it is often the first element of the application package that is reviewed by our panelists. This is an opportunity for the student to explain why they should attend and what benefit of the class will be beyond the student's own experience. In other words, a high GPA in absence of a well written essay and vice versa can be problematic.

Q. Do 4.0 students get a guaranteed seat in the class?

A. GPA is not the only method of student evaluation and no student will be assured a seat by GPA alone. All students must submit a well-written essay detailing why they want to attend the academy and how the experience will benefit their school as well as have school activities and community involvement that demonstrate that he or she is a well-rounded student.

Q. Is a particular GPA required?

A. Although a minimum GPA is stated, a GPA is not the only method of student evaluation. However, given the competitive nature of the application process, it is advantageous for a student to have a combination of a good GPA, well-written essay, school activities and community involvement.

Q. Does a student have to have specific experience or interest in law enforcement to be a successful candidate?

A. No, a student does not need to be in a criminal justice program, explorers' program, ROTC, etc. The primary objective is to identify students who are capable of leadership and have an interest in what the FBI does, as well as an interest in STEM.

Q. Is this experience similar to an internship?

A. the FBI Teen Academy is not an internship and while students may be offered case studies drawn from adjudicated cases, students will not be exposed to active cases or day-to-day investigations.

Q. I love forensic science! Will I get to learn techniques?

A. While students will be exposed to some basic evidence collection techniques during one of the many sessions, the day covers a wide variety of topics from a classroom and experiential perspective as well as concepts that are designed to enhance student awareness of issues such as cybercrime, counterterrorism, counterintelligence, and more.

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